

Application No. 09/815,673

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of creating a printer port on a network in a Windows™ 2000 environment, comprising the steps of:

discovering a printer on the network;

using a XcvData function incidental to an AddPort command for adding a printer port for the printer;

inserting into the XcvData function, in the location for a pInputData parameter, a pointer to a data structure, the data structure including data useful in network port creation for the printer.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of inserting into the XcvData function, in the location for a pcbOutputNeeded parameter, a pointer to a buffer.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the data structure is a PORT\_DATA\_1 structure incidental to the AddPort command.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of supplying dwBufReq = 0 to the XcvData function.